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The Ceremonies, Form of Prayer, and Services uſed in *Weſtminſter-Abby* at the Coronation of the Kings and Queens of this Realm.

1. THE Perſon that uſually is to Anoint and Crown the King and Queen, is the Lord Arch-Biſhop of *Canterbury*.

2. The Place is the Church of *Weſtminſter*, to which it is by divers Charter granted to be the Place for the Kings Coronation, and the Repoſitory of the *Regalia*.

3. The time (if it may well be) ſome Sunday or Holy-day.

The Preparation.

1. There is a Stage ſet up, ſquare, cloſe to the four high Pillars, between the Quire and the Altar, Railed about, which Stage is to be ſpread with Tapiſtry, and the Rails of it to be Richly covered.

2. It is alſo to have Stairs, out of the Quire up to it; and down from it to the Altar, other Stairs Eaſtward.

3. There is a Throne of Eſtate for the King, to be Erected on the ſaid Stage, adorned in all points as is meet.

4. There is alſo another Chair of Eſtate for the King, to be ſet below by the Altar, on the right ſide of it, and a Fald-ſtool, with Cuſhions for the King to Pray at.

5. There is a Traverſe alſo to be made in St. *Edward's* Chappel, for the King to diſrobe himſelf in, after the Ceremonies of his Coronation ended.

The Evening before the Coronation.

1. The Evening before the Coronation, the King is to be put in mind to give himſelf a certain ſpace to Contemplations and Prayers.

It appertaineth by Office to the Dean of *Weſtminſter*, to remember His Majeſty of this and other Obſervances.

2. There is then alſo to be delivered by His Majeſties appointment, to ſuch Perſons as he ſhall like to aſſign to carry them.

1. The Regal.
2. The Paten.
3. The two Scepters.
4. The Rod with the Dove.
5. The Spurs.

3. There is then alſo to be delivered to His Majeſty the *Tunica*, or Shirt of red Silk, with the places for the Anointing opened, and looped cloſe, which he is to wear next over his Shirt.

The Morning of the Coronation.

1. It is to be provided, that all the *Regalia* (that is, King *Edward* the Confeſſors) Crown and other Ornaments, together with the Ampul, wherein is

the Oyl, with which Anciently the Kings and Queens have been Anointed, be laid ready upon the Altar.

2. It is to be provided, that the Crown and other Robes Royal, which the King is to put on and wear after the Rites of the Coronation ended, be brought and laid ready in the Traverſe within St. *Edward's* Chappel.

3. There is Cloth to be ſpread on the Ground from the Palace-Hall Door unto the Stage in the Church, for His Majeſty to tread on all the way, by the Heir of the Lord *Beauchamp* of *Bedford*, Almoner for the Coronation-Day.

The Receiving of the King into the Church.

1. The Arch-Biſhop and Biſhops of the Realm then preſent, together with the Church and Quire of *Weſtminſter* only, are to meet the King at the Palace-gate, in Proceſſion-wiſe.

2. Two Biſhops aſſigned by the King, are to bear the one the Regal, the other the Paten.

3. After them, three Peers (by the King likewiſe to be appointed) are to bear, the one the Scepter with the Croſs, the other the long Scepter, the third the Rod with the Dove.

4. After them the three Swords to be born by the Earl of *Cheſter*, *Huntingdon*, and *Warwick*.

5. After them, a Peer, by the King appointed to bear the Spurs.

6. Then the King under a Canopy born by the Barons of the Cinque-Ports. The King ſupported by the two Biſhops of *Durham* and *Bathe*.

7. The Dean of *Weſtminſter* is to be by to inform the King in thoſe things that concern the Solemnity of the Coronation.

The King is to be received into the Church with an Anthem.

BEhold, O Lord, our Protector, and look upon the face of thine Anointed, becauſe one day in thy Court is better than a thouſand.

The King paſſing up the body of the Church, and ſo through the Quire, goeth up the Stairs unto his Throne of Eſtate, and there repoſeth himſelf.

The King ſet in his Throne, the Arch-Biſhop going to every of the four ſides of the State, *viz.* North, South, Eaſt and Weſt, (the Marſhal of *England* going before him to all the ſaid places) asketh the People if they be willing to accept of the King as their Soveraign, that he may be Anointed and Crowned: In theſe words.

The People demanded if they be willing.

Sirs, here I preſent unto you King ..... the Rightful Inheritor of the Crown of this Realm; wherefore all you that be come this day to do your Homage, Service, and bounden Duty, be ye willing to do the ſame?

Or thus,

Sirs, here preſent is ..... rightful and undoubted Inheritor by the Laws of God and Man, to the Crown and Royal Dignity of *England*, with all things thereunto annexed and appertaining, Elect, Choſen, and Required by all three Eſtates of this ſame Land, to take upon him this ſaid Crown and Royal Dignity; whereupon you ſhall underſtand that this day is fixed and appointed by all the Peers of the Land, for the Conſecration, Enunction, and Coronation of the ſaid moſt Excellent Prince ..... Will you ſerve him at this

this time, and give your wills and aſſents to the ſame Conſecration, Enunction, and Coronation?

Or thus,

Will you take this Worthy Prince ..... right Heir of the Realm, and have him to your King, and become Subjects to him, and ſubmit your ſelves to his Commandments?

This while, the King ſtanding up, turneth himſelf to every of the four ſides, as the Arch-Biſhop is at every of them ſpeaking to the People.

The People ſignifying their willingneſs, by anſwering all in one voice, Yea, Yea, *God Save King* ..... The Quire ſingeth the Anthem.

LET thy Hand be ſtrengthned, and thy Right Hand be exalted. Let Juſtice and Judgment be the preparation of thy Seat, and Mercy and Truth go before thy Face. *Glory be to the Father*, &c.

While the Quire ſingeth the Anthem, the Arch-Biſhop goeth down to the Altar; and reveſteth himſelf there.

The Arch-Biſhop being there ready, the King, ſupported by the two Biſhops, (as before) and attended by the Dean of *Weſtminſter*, goeth down from his Throne to the Altar.

The King's Offering, and the Sermon.

There he maketh his firſt Oblation, which is a Pall and Twenty Pieces of Gold.

After the King hath Offered, he kneeleth down at his Fald-ſtool.

The Arch-Biſhop ſaith the Prayer.

O GOD which doſt viſit thoſe that are humble, and doſt comfort us by the light of thy Holy Spirit, ſend down thy Grace upon this thy Servant ..... that by him we may feel thy preſence amongſt us, through Jeſus Chriſt.

Then doth the Sermon begin, which the King heareth in his Chair of Eſtate by the Altar on the South ſide of it.

The Sermon being done, the Arch-Biſhop goeth to the King, and asketh His Majeſty concerning his willingneſs to take the Oath, uſually taken by his Predeceſſors.

The King (ſhewing himſelf willing therewithal) ariſeth and cometh to the Altar.

The Arch-Biſhop miniſtreth the three firſt Queſtions, and the King anſwereth them ſeverally. *Scilicet.*

Arch-Biſhop. *Sir, Will you grant and keep, and by your Oath Confirm to the People of* England *the Laws and Cuſtoms to them granted by the Kings of* England, *your Lawful and Religious Predeceſſors, and namely, the Laws, Cuſtoms, and Franchiſes, granted to the Clergy by the Glorious King*, St. Edward, *your Predeceſſor, according to the Laws of God, the true Profeſſion of the Goſpel Eſtabliſhed in this Kingdom, agreeable to the Prerogative for the Kings thereof, and the Ancient Cuſtoms of this Realm?*

King. I grant and promiſe to keep them.

A. Biſh. *Sir, will you keep Peace and Godly Agreement (according to your Power) both to God, the Holy Church, the Clergy and the People?*

King.

King. I will keep it.

A. Biſh. *Sir, will you (to your power) cauſe Law, Juſtice, and Diſcretion to Mercy and Truth to be executed to your Judgment?*

King. I will.

A. Biſh. *Sir, Will you grant to hold and keep the Laws and Rightful Cuſtoms which the Commonalty of this your Kingdom have? And will you defend and uphold them to the Honour of God, ſo much as in you lyeth?*

King. I grant and promiſe ſo to do.

Then one of the Biſhops read this paſſage to the King.

Our Lord and King, We beſeech you to pardon and to grant, and to preſerve unto us, and to the Churches committed to your Charge, all Canonical Priviledges, and due Law and Juſtice, and that you would protect and defend us, as every good King to his Kingdoms ought to be Protector and Defender of the Biſhops and the Churches under their Government.

The King Anſwereth,

With a willing and Devout Heart I promiſe and grant my Pardon; and that I will preſerve and maintain to you, and the Churches committed to your Charge, all Canonical Priviledges, and due Law and Juſtice, and that I will be your Protector and Defender to my power, by the aſſiſtance of God, as every good King in his Kingdom in right ought to Protect and Defend the Biſhops and Churches under their Government.

Then the King aroſe, and was led to the Communion-Table, where he takes a Solemn Oath in ſight of all the People, to obſerve all the Premiſſes, and laying his hand upon the Bible, ſaid,

The things which I have here Promiſed, I ſhall perform and keep; So Help me God, and the Contents of this Book.

After the Oath thus taken, the King returneth to his Chair of State again.

The Archbiſhop beginneth a Hymn *Veni Creator Spiritus*, and the Quire ſing it.

The Hymn ended the King kneels down at his Fald-ſtool, and the Archbiſhop ſayeth this Prayer.

WE beſeech thee, O Lord holy Father, almighty and everlaſting God, for this thy Servant ..... that as at the firſt thou broughteſt him into the World by thy Divine Providence, and in the flower of his youth, haſt preſerved him until this preſent day, ſo thou wilt evermore enrich him with the gift of Piety, fulfil him with the grace of truth, and increaſe him daily in all goodneſs in the ſight of God and men, that he may joyfully receive the Seat of ſupreme Government, by the gift of thy ſupernal Grace; and being defended from all his Enemies, by the wall of thy Mercy, he may happily govern the people committed to his charge.

After the prayer done, beginneth the Litany to be ſung by two Biſhops.

Let us Pray.

O Almighty and everlaſting God, Creator of all things, Ruler of Angels, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, who didſt cauſe thy faithful ſervant

Abraham

Abraham to triumph over his Enemies; didſt give many victories to *Moſes*, and *Joſhua*, the Governors of thy people, didſt exalt thy lowly ſervant *David* unto the height of a Kingdom; didſt enrich *Solomon* with the unſpeakable gift of Wiſdom and Peace. Give ear we beſeech thee unto our humble Prayers, and multiply thy bleſſing upon this thy Servant, whom in lowly devotion we do conſecrate our King; that he being ſtrengthned with the Faith of *Abraham*, indued with the Mildneſs of *Moſes*, armed with the Fortitude of *Joſhua*, exalted with the Humility of *David*, beautified, with the Wiſdom of *Solomon*, he may pleaſe thee in all things, he may always walk uprightly in the way of Righteouſneſs, he may nouriſh and teach, defend and inſtruct thy Church and people, and like a mighty King, miniſter unto them the government of thy Vertue againſt all enemies viſible and inviſible, and by thy help reform their minds to the concord of true Faith and Peace, that being underpropped by the due Obedience, and honoured by the condign Love of theſe his people, he may, by thy Mercy royally aſcend up to the Throne of his forefather, and being defended with the Helmet of thy protection, covered with thy invincible Shield, and all clad with Heavenly Armour, he may glorioufly triumph, and by his power both terrifie Infidels, and bring joyful peace to thoſe that fight for thee, through our Lord, who by the power of his Croſs hath deſtroyed Hell, and having overthrown the Kingdom of the Devil, is with victory aſcended into Heaven, in whom doth conſiſt all Power, Kingdom and Victory, who is the glory of the humble, the life and ſalvation of his people, who liveth with thee and the Holy Ghoſt.

O Lord, thou that governeſt all Kingdoms from everlaſting, bleſs we beſeech thee this our King, that he may rule like *David*, and by thy Mercy obtain his reward. Grant that by thy inſpiration he may govern with the Mildneſs of *Solomon*, and enjoy a peaceable Kingdom. Grant that he may ſerve thee with fear, and fight for thee with conſtancy. Protect him and his Nobles with thy Shield, and always give him victory by thy Grace, Honour him before all the Kings of the Earth; Let him rule over Countreys, and let Nations adore him. Let him be ſingular in Judgment and Equity, and make him rich with thy rich right hand. Give him a fruitful Country, and give to his Children all good things. Give him a long life in this World, and in his days let Juſtice flouriſh. Strengthen thou the Throne of his Government, and with gladneſs and righteouſneſs, let him glory in thy eternal Kingdom, through Jeſus Chriſt.

GOD the unſpeakable Author of the World, the Creator of Mankind, the Governour of Empires, the Eſtabliſher of Kingdoms, who out of the loyns of thy faithful friend our Father *Abraham*, didſt chooſe a King that ſhould ſave all Nations. Bleſs we beſeech thee this our preſent King, and his Army with a rich bleſſing. Eſtabliſh him in the Throne of this Kingdom. Viſit him as thou didſt viſit *Moſes* in the Buſh, *Joſhua* in the Battel, *Gideon* in the Field, and *Samuel* in the Temple; beſprinkle him with the dew of thy Wiſdom, and give unto him the bleſſing of *David* and *Solomon*. Be thou unto him a Coat-Armour againſt his Enemies, and an Helmet in adverſity. Give him patience in proſperity, and protect him always with thy Shield. Grant that other Countries may keep Faith unto him, and that his Nobles may live in Peace, embrace Charity, abſtain from Covetouſneſs, ſpeak Juſtice and maintain Truth: and ſo this people may grow up together with the bleſſing of Eternity, that having overcome, they may rejoice in everlaſting peace, through Chriſt our Lord.

GOD which provideſt for thy people by thy power, and ruleſt over them in Love, grant unto this thy Servant..... the ſpirit of Wiſdom and Government, that being devoted unto thee with all his heart, he may ſo wiſely govern this Kingdom, that in his time the Church may be in ſafety, and Chriſtian Devotion may continue in Peace, that ſo perſevering to the end in good works, he may by thy Mercy come unto thine everlaſting Kingdom, through thy Son our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, who liveth and reigneth with thee World without end. *Amen.*

The Litany being ended, the Archbiſhop beginneth to ſay aloud,

Liſt up your Hearts, *&c.*
Anſw. We liſt them up unto the Lord.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we ſhould at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty and everlaſting God, the ſtrength of thy Choſen, and the exalter of the Humble, which in the beginning, by the pouring of the Flood, did chaſten the ſins of the World, and by a Dove conveying an Olive branch, didſt give a token of reconcilement unto the Earth, and again didſt conſecrate thy Servant *Aaron* a Prieſt, by the anointing of Oyl, and afterward by the effuſion of this Oyl, didſt make Prieſts, and Kings, and Prophets, to govern thy people *Iſrael*, and by the voice of the Prophet *David*, didſt foretel, that the Countenance of thy Church ſhould be made chearful with Oyl. We beſeech thee Almighty Father, that thou wilt vouchſafe to bleſs and ſanctifie this thy Servant..... that he may miniſter Peace unto his people, and imitate *Aaron* in the Service of God. That he may attain the perfection of Government in Counſel and Judgment, and a countenance always chearful, and amiable to the whole people, through Chriſt our Lord.

This done, the King ariſeth from his Devotion, and repoſeth him a while in his Chair of Eſtate.

After a while, he goeth to the Altar, and there diſrobeth himſelf of his upper garments (his under apparel being made open with loops only cloſed) at the places which are to be anointed.

The Archbiſhop undoeth the loops, and openeth the places which he is to anoint.

The Archbiſhop firſt anointeth his hands: ſaying,

Let theſe hands be anointed, as Kings and Prophets have been anointed, and as *Samuel* did anoint *David* to be King, that thou maiſt be bleſſed, and eſtabliſhed a King in this Kingdom over this people, whom the Lord thy God hath given thee to rule and govern, which he vouchſafe to grant, who with the Father and the holy Ghoſt, *&c.*

The mean while the Quire ſingeth the Anthem.

Sadock the Prieſt, and *Nathan* the Prophet, anointed *Solomon* King, and all the people rejoyced, and ſaid, *God ſave the King for ever.*

The Archbiſhop ſaith this prayer.

LOok down Almighty God with thy favourable countenance upon this glorious King, and as thou didſt bleſs *Abraham*, *Iſaac* and *Jacob*, ſo vouchſafe we beſeech thee by thy power, to water him plentifully with the bleſſings of thy grace. Give unto him of the dew of Heaven, and of the fatneſs of the Earth, abundance of Corn, and Wine, and Oyl, and plenty of all

fruits

fruits of thy goodneſs long to continue, that in his time here may be health in our Country, and Peace in our Kingdom, and that the glorious dignity of his Royal Court, may brightly ſhine as a moſt clear lightning, far and wide in the eyes of all Men. Grant Almighty God, that he may be a moſt mighty protector of his Country, a bountiful comforter of Churches and holy Societies, the moſt valiant of Kings, that he may triumph over his Enemies, and ſubdue Rebels and Infidels; that he may be loving and amiable to the Lords and Nobles, and all the faithful Subjects of his Kingdom, that he may be feared, and loved of all Men, that his Children may be Kings to rule this Kingdom by ſucceſſion of all ages, and that after the glorious and happy days of this preſent life, he may obtain everlaſting joy and happineſs through Chriſt our Lord.

The Prayer ended, the Arch-biſhop proceeded with his anointing.

1. Of the Breaſt.
2. Between the Shoulders.
3. Of both the Shoulders.
4. Of the boughes of both his arms.
5. Of his head in the Crown.

The anointing being done, the Dean of *Weſtminſter* cloſeth the Loops again which were opened.

The Arch-biſhop ſaith theſe Prayers.

GOd the Son of God, Chriſt Jeſus our Lord, which was anointed by his Father with the Oyl of gladneſs above his fellows, he by his holy anointing, pour down upon thy head the bleſſing of the Holy Ghoſt, and make it enter into the inward part of thy heart, ſo that thou maiſt receive inviſible grace, and having juſtly governed thy temporal Kingdom, thou maiſt reign with him eternally, who only being without ſin, doth live in glory with God, and the Father, and the Holy Ghoſt.

GOd which art the glory of the Righteous, and the mercy of Sinners, who hath ſent thy Son to redeem Mankind with his precious blood, who bringeſt Wars to an end, and defendeſt thoſe that truſt in thee, upon whoſe good will and pleaſure doth depend the ſtrength of all Kingdoms; we humbly pray in this Royal ſeat, to bleſs this thy Servant, who putteth his confidence in thy Mercy, vouchſafe in thy favour to be preſent with him, that he which deſireth to be defended by thy protection, may be ſtronger than his Enemies: Crown him with the Crown of Juſtice and Piety, that with all his heart, and all his mind, he may truſt in thee, ſerve thee, defend and advance thy Holy Church, and govern the people committed to his charge in juſtice and equity. Kindle O Lord his heart with the love of thy grace by the inward anointing wherewith thou haſt anointed Prieſts, Kings and Prophets, that he loving Juſtice, and leading his people by the ways of righteouſneſs, after the glorious courſe of this life which thou haſt appointed, he may come to eternal joy, through Chriſt.

The Prayers being ended. Firſt a ſhallow Quoif is put on the Kings head (becauſe of the anointing.)

If His Majeſties hair be not ſmooth after it; there is King *Edwards* Ivory Comb for that end.

Then the *Colobium* or *Dalmatica* is put on him.

After the putting on whereof, the Archbiſhop ſaith the Prayer.

O God

O God the *King* of *Kings*, and *Lord* of *Lords*, by whom *Kings* do reign, and Lawgivers do make good Laws, vouchſafe in thy favour to bleſs this Kingly Ornament, and grant that thy Servant our *King*, who ſhall wear it, may ſhine in the ſpirit, with the Ornament of good life, and holy actions, and after this life ended, he may for ever enjoy that life and glory which hath no end, through Chriſt our Lord.

The King putteth on the Linnen Gloves (part of the *Regalia*)
Then he taketh off his Sword, wherewith he was girt before.
He goeth to the Altar, and there offereth it.
The chief Peer then preſent offereth, and redeemeth the Sword.
Which having done, he draweth the Sword out, and carrieth it naked before the King, from that time all the Solemnity.

The Arch-biſhop taketh the Scepter with the Croſs, and delivereth it into the Kings Right-hand, with theſe words:

Receive the Scepter, the ſign of Kingly power, the Rod of the Kingdom, the Rod of Vertue, that thou maiſt govern thy ſelf aright, and defend the holy Church and Chriſtian people committed by God unto thy charge. Puniſh the wicked, and protect the juſt, and lead them in the way of righteouſneſs, that from this Temporal Kingdom, thou maiſt be advanced to an Eternal Kingdom, by his goodneſs whoſe Kingdom is everlaſting.

After the Biſhop ſaith this Prayer.

O Lord the Fountain of all good things, and the Author of all good proceedings, grant we beſeech thee to this thy Servant ..... that he may order aright the dignity he hath obtained. Vouchſafe to confirm the honour which thou haſt given him, honour him before all Kings, and enrich him with a rich benediction; eſtabliſh him in the Throne of this Realm; viſit him with increaſe of Children, let juſtice ſpring up in his days, and with joy of gladneſs, let him Reign in thine everlaſting Kingdom.

Then the Archbiſhop delivereth the Rod with the Dove into the Kings left hand, ſaying,

Receive the Rod of Vertue and Equity, learn to make much of the godly, and to terrifie the wicked, ſhew the way to thoſe that go aſtray, offer thy hand to thoſe that fall, repreſs the proud. Lift up the lowly, that our Lord Jeſus Chriſt may open to thee the door, who ſaith of himſelf, *I am the door, by me if any Man enter in he ſhall be ſafe*; and let him be thy helper, who is the key of *David*, and the Scepter of the Houſe of *Iſrael*, who openeth and no man ſhutteth, who ſhutteth and no man openeth, who bringeth forth the captive out of Priſon, where he ſate in darkneſs and in the ſhadow of death, that in all things thou mayeſt follow him of whom the Prophet *David* ſaith, *Thy ſeat, O God, endureth for ever, the Scepter of thy Kingdom is a right Scepter; thou haſt loved righteouſneſs, and hated iniquity:* Wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the Oyl of gladneſs above thy Fellows, even Jeſus Chriſt our Lord.

After this he bleſſeth the King, ſaying,

THE Lord bleſs and keep thee, and as he hath made thee King over his People, ſo he ſtill proſper thee in this World, and make thee partaker of his eternal Felicity in the World to come. *Amen.* Grant

GRant, O Lord, that the Clergy and People gathered together by thy Ordinance, for this Service of the King may by the Gracious Aſſiſtance of thy Goodneſs, and the vigilant Care of thy Servant and King, be continually Governed and Preſerved in all Happineſs. *Amen.*

GRant that they obeying thy Holy Will, may be freed from all Adverſities, and enjoying the Riches of thy Grace, may with fervent Love walk in the ways of thy Commandments, that in this Life being made partakers of thy Peace, they may be Citizens of thy Kingdom in the life that is to come, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

The King kiſſeth the Arch-Biſhop, and the Biſhops then aſſiſtant.

After this the King goeth up from the Altar to the Stage (all the Peers ſolemnly attending his Majeſty in their places.)

In the mean time the Quire Sing; we praiſe thee, O God.

Which being ended, the Arch-Biſhop inthronizeth the King into his Throne there, ſaying,

Stand and hold faſt from henceforth, that place whereof hitherto thou haſt been Heir by the Succeſſion of thy Fore-fathers, being now delivered unto thee, by the Authority of Almighty God, and by the hands of us, and all the Biſhops and Servants of God; and as thou ſeeſt the Clergy to come nearer unto the Altar, ſo remember that in places convenient thou give them greater honour, that the Mediator of God and Man may eſtabliſh thee in this Kingly Throne, to be the Mediator betwixt the Clergy and the Laity, and that thou maiſt reign for ever with Jeſus Chriſt, the King of Kings, and the Lord of Lords, who with the Father and the Holy Ghoſt, liveth and reigneth for ever. *Amen.*

Which done, all the Peers do their Homage to the King, in theſe words.

I become your Leige-man of Life and Limb, and of Earthly Worſhip, and Faith and Troth ſhall bear unto you, to Live and Dye with You againſt all manner of Folk. So God me help.

And after, put their hand and touch the Crown (by way of Ceremony, as promiſing to ſupport it with all their power.)

Then the King to eaſe himſelf of the Scepter and Rod in his hands, giveth them to carry to ſuch as it pleaſeth His Majeſty.

The Arch-Biſhop kneeled down, and made his Homage as followeth.

Out of the Coronation of *Edward* the Sixth.

J. A. *Shall be faithful and true, and Faith and Troth bear unto you our Soveraign Lord, and to Your Heirs Kings of* England, *and I ſhall do and truly knowledge the Service due of the Lands, I claim to hold of You, as in the right of* Your *Church, as God ſhall help me.* And ſo kiſſed the Kings left Cheek, &c.

Or theſe Words taken out of another Book.

I become Your man Liege of Life and Limb, and Troth and hearty Honour to You ſhall bear, againſt all men that now Live and Dye. So help me God, &c.

The Arch-Biſhop goeth down to the Altar, and begins the Communion.

The PRAYER.

O Almighty God, we beſeech thee that this thy Servant ..... our King, who by thy Mercy hath received the government of this Realm, may alſo receive an increaſe of all Vertues, whereby he may be acceptable to thee, and avoid the gulf of Vice, and overcome all his Enemies, and finally come to thee in Glory, who art the Way, the Truth, and the Life, through Chriſt our Lord.

The Epiſtle, 1 *Pet.* 2.
The Goſpel, *Matth.* 22. } By two Biſhops.

The *Nicene* Creed.
The Offertory.

The King cometh down from the Throne to offer.
He offereth twice.

1. Bread and Wine.
2. A Mark of Gold.

Then the Prayer.

ALmighty God, give thee of the dew of Heaven, and of the fat of the Earth, abundance of Corn and Wine. Let the Nations ſerve thee, and the Tribes adore thee, and let him be bleſſed that bleſſeth thee, and God ſhall be thy helper. Almighty *God*, bleſs you with the bleſſing of Heaven above, in the Mountrins ahd Hills, ahd with the bleſſings of the Earth beneath, with the bleſſings of Corn and Wine, and Fruit, and let the bleſſings of the old Fathers, *Abraham*, *Iſaac*, and *Jacob*, be eſtabliſhed upon thee through Chriſt our Lord.

BLeſs O Lord, the vertuous courage of this *King*, and accept the work of his hands, repleniſh his Realm with the increaſe of thy Bleſſings, with the Fruit of the Heavens, and the dew of the Water, and the Depths. Let the influence of the Sun and the Moon, drop down fatneſs upon the high Mountains, and the Clouds rain plenty upon the low Vallies, that the Earth may abound with ſtore of all things. Let the bleſſings of him that appeared in the Buſh, deſcend upon his head, and the fulneſs of his Bleſſings fall upon his Children and Poſterity. Let his Feet be dipped in Oyl, and his Horn be exalted, as the Horn of an Unicorn, by which he may ſcatter his Enemies from on the face of the Earth ; the Lord that ſitteth in Heaven be his Defender for ever and ever, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

BLeſs, we beſeech thee, O Lord, theſe thy gifts, and ſanctifie them unto this Holy uſe, that by them we may be made partakers of the Body and Blood of thy only begotten Son Jeſus Chriſt. And thy Servant our King ..... may be fed unto everlaſting life of Soul and Body, and enabled to the diſcharge of his great Place and Office, whereunto thou haſt called him of thy great good-

goodneſs: grant this, O Lord, for Jeſus Chriſts ſake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

O GOD, the *King* of *Kings*, and *Lord* of *Lords*, by whom *Kings* do Reign, and Law-givers do make good Laws, vouchſafe in thy favour to bleſs this Kingly Ornament, and grant that thy Servant our *King*, who ſhall wear it, may ſhine in the ſpirit, with the Ornament of Good Life, and Holy Actions, and after this Life ended, he may for ever enjoy that Life and Glory which hath no end, through Chriſt our Lord.

The Prayer done, the Dean of *Weſtminſter* arrayeth the King,

1. With the *Supertunica*, or cloſe Pall.
2. Then with the Tynſin Hoſe.
3. Then with the Sandals.

The Spurs are put on by a Noble-man, thereto by the King appointed.

Then the Arch-Biſhop taketh the Sword, and layeth it before him on the Altar, and ſaith this Prayer.

HEar our Prayers, we beſeech thee, and vouchſafe by thy Right Hand of Majeſty, to Bleſs and Sanctifie this Sword, wherewith this thy Servant ..... deſireth to be girt, that it may be a Defence and Protection of Churches, Widdows, Orphans, and all the Servants of *God*, againſt the ſavage cruelty of Pagans and Infidels; and that it may be a fear and terror to all thoſe that lye in wait to do miſchief, through Chriſt our Lord.

Then the Arch-Biſhop delivereth the Sword into the *Kings* Hands, (which Sword is girt about him by a *Peer* thereto appointed) ſaying,

REceive this Kingly Sword (*which is hallowed*) for the Defence of the Faith of Chriſts Holy Church, and delivered unto thee by the hands of Biſhops, though unworthy, yet Conſecrated in the place of the Holy Apoſtles; and remember of whom the *Pſalmiſt* did Propheſie, ſaying, *Gird thy ſelf with thy Sword upon thy Thigh, O thou moſt Mighty*; and with this Sword exerciſe thou the force of Equity, and mightily deſtroy the growth of Iniquity; Protect the Holy Church of God, and his faithful People, and purſue Hereticks no leſs than Infidels, defend and help Widdows and Orphans. Reſtore the things that are gone to decay, and maintain thoſe things that are reſtored, be revenged of Injuſtice, and confirm things that are in good Order, that doing theſe things, thou maiſt be glorious in the triumph of Vertue, and excellent in the ornament of Juſtice, and Reign for ever with the Saviour of the World, whoſe Image you bear, who with the Father and the Holy Ghoſt.

Then the *Armil* is put about his Neck (in the manner of a Stole) and tyed to the boughs of his two Arms:

The Arch-Biſhop ſaying,

REceive the *Armil*, as a token of Gods embracing, whereby all thy works may be defended againſt thy Enemies, both bodily and ghoſtly, through Chriſt our Lord.

Then the Mantle or open Pall is put on by the Dean of *Weſtminſter*.

The Archbiſhop ſaying,

Receive

REceive this Pall, which is formed with four Corners, to let thee understand, that the four Quarters of the World are subject to the power of God, and that no Man can happily Reign upon Earth, who hath not received his Authority from Heaven.

Then the Arch-Bishop taketh the Crown into his hands, and saith this Prayer.

O God of Eternity, the commander of all Powers, the vanquisher of all Enemies, Bless thy Servant, who boweth his Head unto thy Majesty, preserve him in long Health and prosperous Felicity, be present with him, protect and defend him, whensoever he calleth upon thee. Give him, we beseech thee, the Riches of thy Grace, fill his Soul with Goodness, and Crown him with thy Mercy, and let him always in godly Devotion wait upon thee, through thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Arch-Bishop Crowneth the King, saying,

GOd Crown thee with a Crown of Glory and Righteousness, with the Honour and Work of Fortitude, that thou by our Ministry, having a right Faith, and manifold Fruit of good Works, maist obtain the Crown of an Everlasting Kingdom, by the gift of him whose Kingdom endureth for ever.

In the mean time the Quire singeth the Anthem.

BE strong and of good courage, and observe the Commandments of the Lord, to walk in his ways and keep his Ceremonies, Precepts, Testimonies, and Judgments, and Almighty God prosper and strengthen thee whithersoever thou goest. The Lord is my Ruler, therefore I shall want nothing.

THe King shall rejoyce in thy strength, O Lord; exceeding glad shall he be of thy Salvation, for thou hast granted him his Hearts desire, and hast not denyed him the request of his Lips: for thou hast prevented him with Blessings of goodness, and hast set a Crown of pure Gold upon his Head.

Then he putteth the Ring on his Wedding-finger, saying,

REceive the Ring of Kingly Dignity, and by it the Seal of Christian Faith, that as this day thou art adorned the Head and Prince of this Kingdom and People, so thou maist persevere as the Author and Establisher of Christianity, and the Christian Faith, that being rich in Faith, and happy in Works, thou maist reign with him who is King of Kings, to whom be Glory and Honour, for ever and ever.

After this, the Arch-Bishop saith this Prayer.

O God to whom belongeth all Power and Dignity, give unto thy Servant the Fruit of his Dignity, wherein grant he may long continue and fear thee always, and always labour to please thee, through Christ our Lord.

The King cometh to the step of the Altar, to receive the Sacrament.

The Arch-Bishop ministreth the Bread.

The Dean of *Westminster* the Cup.

The King returneth to his Throne, and there stayeth the end of Service.

Communion being done, the King cometh down in Estate to the Altar.

Thence into King *Edward's* Chappel.

The King taketh off his Crown, and delivereth it to the Arch-Bishop, who layeth it on the Altar there.

The

The King withdraweth himſelf into the Traverſe.

There the Great Chamberlain of *England* diſrobeth him of the Robes of King *Edward* the Confeſſor.

Theſe Robes he immediately delivereth to the Dean of *Weſtminſter*.

The King is arrayed with his own Royal Robes, provided for His Majeſty to wear that day.

The King being newly arrayed, cometh forth of the Traverſe, and goeth to King *Edward*'s Altar.

There the Arch-Biſhop putteth on the Crown which is provided for His Majeſty to wear that day.

The King taketh again his Scepter with the Croſs into his Hand, and the Rod with the Dove.

The King with his whole Train in moſt Solemn manner goeth back to his Palace by the ſame way he came.

Dinner being done, and the King withdrawing himſelf, the Scepter which the King carried in his Hand, with the Rod (being the *Regalia*) are to be redelivered to the Dean of *Weſtminſter* again, to be kept as they have been.

THE CORONATION OF THE QUEEN.

THE Queen muſt be ſupported by two Biſhops, from the Weſt Door of the Church of *Weſtminſter*, &c.

The Queen muſt be Anointed, &c. after the Homage done by the Lords, and the Kings Coronation finiſhed.

The Queen following the King down to the Altar, going before the Lords, bearing her Crown, Scepter, and Rod, two Biſhops ſuſtaining her; and for her there ſhall be made on the left ſide of the Altar a Folding-ſtool.

She ſhall ſit while the King be required for the keeping of the Coſtoms, &c. and that done, while *Veni Creator* is ſinging, and all the while the King is Anointing

The Arch-Biſhop entring the Weſt Door of the Abby, ſaith this Prayer.

O Almighty and everlaſting God, the Fountain and Well-ſpring of all goodneſs, which doſt not reject the frailty of the Woman, but rather doſt vouchſafe to allow and chooſe it, and by chooſing the weak things of the World, doſt confound thoſe things that are ſtrong; which didſt ſometime cauſe thy people to Triumph over a moſt cruel Enemy, by the hand of *Judith* a Woman; give ear, we beſeech thee, to our moſt Humble Prayers, and multiply thy Bleſſings upon this thy Servant, whom in all Humble Devotion we do Conſecrate our *Queen*. Defend her always with thy Mighty Right Hand, and with the Buckler of thy favour, protect her on every ſide, that ſhe may be able to overcome, and triumph over all her Enemies, both bodily and ghoſtly, and that with *Sarah* and *Rebecca*, *Leah* and *Rachel*, and other Bleſſed and Honourable Women, ſhe may multiply and rejoice in the Fruit of her Womb, to the Honour of the whole Kingdom, and the good Government of the Holy Church of God, through Chriſt our Lord, who vouchſafed to be born of a moſt pure Virgin, that he might viſit and Redeem the World, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in unity of the Holy Ghoſt, through all Ages, World without end.

Another

Another Bleſſing of the Queen *before the Nobles, to be ſaid at the Altar before ſhe be Anointed.*

GOD which only haſt Immortality, and dwelleſt in Light which cannot be approached, whoſe Providence is never deceived, which haſt made all things that are to come, and calleſt thoſe things that are not, as the things that are; which caſteſt down the Proud from their Seat, and doſt exalt the Humble and Meek, we humbly beſeech thy unſpeakable Mercy, that as for the good of the People of the *Jews*, thou didſt deliver Queen *Eſther* from Captivity, and didſt bring her to the Bed of King *Ahaſuerus*, and the Society of his Kingdom; ſo for the good of thy Chriſtian Flock, thou wilt of thy Mercy by our Miniſtry, advance this thy Servant to the moſt High and Royal Company of our King, that ſhe continuing always in the Chaſtity of Princely Wedlock, ſhe may obtain the Crown that is next unto Virginity, and may in all things, and above all things. ſtudy always to pleaſe thee the living God, and by thy Holy Inſpiration to perform thoſe things that are acceptable unto thee, through Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

Here the holy Oyl ſhall be poured upon the Crown of her Head in the manner of a Croſs.

The *Queen* is to be Anointed two times; firſt, in the fore-part of her Head, the Biſhop ſaying theſe Words;

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghoſt, let the anointing of this Oyl increaſe thy Honour, and eſtabliſh thee for ever and ever.

Secondly, on her Breaſt, ſaying the ſame words;

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghoſt, let the anointing of this Oyl increaſe thy Honour, and eſtabliſh thee for ever and ever.

After the Anointing, this Prayer is to be ſaid.

O Almighty and everlaſting God, we beſeech thee of thy Goodneſs, pour out the ſpirit of thine abundant Bleſſing upon this thy Servant, that as by the Impoſition of our Hands, ſhe is this day Crowned *Queen*, ſo ſhe may by thy Sanctification, continue always thy choſen and worthy Servant, that ſhe may never hereafter fall from thy Grace, through Chriſt our Lord.

Here the Ring muſt be given her, and put on the Fore-finger of Her Right Hand, the Biſhop ſaying,

Receive this Ring, the Seal of a ſincere Faith, that you may avoid all infection of Hereſie, and by the power of God compel Barbarous Nations, and bring them to the knowledge of the Truth.

This Prayer muſt follow.

GOD, to whom belongeth all Power and Dignity, grant, we beſeech thee, to this thy Servant, by the ſign of Chriſtian Faith, proſperous Succeſs in this her Honour, and that ſhe may continue firm in the ſame, and indeavour always to pleaſe thee, through Chriſt our Lord.

Then the Bleſſing of the Crown.

O God, the Crown of the Faithful, which doſt Crown their Heads with precious Stones, Bleſs and Sanctifie this Crown, that as the ſame is adorned with many precious Stones, ſo thy Servant that weareth the ſame, may of thy Grace be repleniſhed with the manifold Gifts of all precious Virtues, through Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

Then the is ſet upon her Head, the Biſhop ſaying,

Receive the Crown of Glory, and the Honour of Joy, that you may ſhine in Righteouſneſs, and be Crowned with everlaſting Gladneſs.

This alſo,

Seeing you are by our Miniſtry ſolemnly Conſecrated for our *Queen*, receive the Crown of Royal Excellency, which is placed upon your Head by the Epiſcopal Hands of us, though unworthy; and as you are Crowned without with Gold and Pearl, ſo labour to be beautified within, with the Gold of Wiſdom, and the Pearl of Vertue; that after this Life ended, you may with the juſt Virgins, decently meet the everlaſting Bridegroom, our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, and enter the Kingly Gate of the Heavenly Court, by his help, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghoſt, liveth and Reigneth for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then the Arch-Biſhop putteth the Scepter in her Right Hand, and a Rod of Gold in her Left Hand, ſaying,

O Lord, the Fountain of all good things, and the giver of all perfection, grant into thy Servant, that She may order aright the high Dignity She hath obtained, and with good Works eſtabliſh the Glory thou haſt given Her, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

Then is the *Queen* carried back into the Throne by two Biſhops.

As She paſſeth by the King, She boweth to Him.

She is placed in Her Throne, and thus continueth, until She come down with the King, to Offer, and receive the Communion.

The *Queen* goeth with the *King* into St. *Edward's* Chappel, putteth off Her Crown there at the Altar, before which Altar She ſtayeth until the *King* hath made himſelf ready in the Traverſe.

After they both put on their Crowns Imperial, and ſo go to the Palace.

FINIS.